

# **Consumer Product Rules**

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The consumer product rules, <u>R 336.1660 and R 336.1661</u>, adopt by reference the Ozone Transport Commission (OTC) <u>Model Rule</u> for consumer products dated September 13, 2006. These rules are a primary component of the DEQ strategy for attaining the ozone standard in Southeast Michigan. The rules were adopted to control the concentration of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in various products used in households and institutions. The rules apply to consumer products whose use may result in the release of VOCs to the atmosphere. These VOCs cause air pollution due to ground-level ozone formation in Michigan outdoor air. The ground-level ozone causes health problems and also causes damage to some crops.

On July 19, 2007, the DEQ held a public hearing on a proposal to amend the Consumer Product Rules to reduce volatile organic compound content from additional consumer and commercial products manufactured, sold, or used in the state of Michigan. The rules adopt by reference the amended OTC Model Rule published September 13, 2006.

## Consumer Products Rule Fact Sheet

Each manufacturer of a consumer product subject to the rule shall clearly display on each consumer product container or package, the day, month, and year on which the product was manufactured, or a code indicating such date. The date or code-dating information shall be located on the container or inside the cover/cap so that it is readily observable or obtainable. If a manufacturer uses a code indicating the date of manufacture for any consumer product subject to the rule, an explanation of the code must be filed with the State of Michigan on the Initial Code-Date Reporting Form.

#### Initial Code-Date Reporting Form

#### **Related Links:**

- Ozone Transport Commission (OTC)
- OTC Model Rule (9-13-2006)
- California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- CARB Consumer Products Regulations
- <u>California Code of Regulations</u> (A searchable electronic version of the California Code of Regulations including the Consumer Products Regulations.)
- <u>CARB Method 310</u>, "Determination of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) in Consumer Products," adopted 9/25/97 and amended 9/3/99.
- California Health and Safety Code, Section 41712(h)(2)
- CARB Consumer Products Survey
- South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)
- SCAQMD Rule 1174 Ignition Method Compliance Certification Protocol (Feb. 27, 1991)
- Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. 136-136y, et seq.)
- Federal Consumer Products Regulation, 40 CFR 59 Subpart C
- American Society for Testing and Materials

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